

Agenda Item Number: <u>2006-8-8E</u>

BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: August 9, 2006

Department: Finance Staff Contact: Thaddeus Lucero, County Manager

Dan Mayfield, Deputy County Manager for

Budget & Finance

Hughes & Strumor, Ltd. Co.

TITLE: Bond Sale Resolution

ACTION: Motion to approve Administrative Resolution **AR** -2006 authorizing

publication of a Notice of Bond Sale of Bernalillo County General Obligation

Bonds, Series 2006, in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000.

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval to publish the Notice of Bond Sale for the Series 2006 Bernalillo County General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000. Bond Counsel will publish the Notice of Bond Sale. Bids will be scheduled through the Davidson Auction website.

The voters approved \$16,000,000 in G.O. Bonds in the November 2, 2004 election, of which \$13,500,000 is available for sale. At this time, the County proposes the sale of \$10,000,000 in G.O. Bonds based upon expenditure projections received from departments. The categorization of the G.O. Bonds recommended for sale is:

Bond Name	Fund	Unsold GO Bonds Approved 2004	Proposed Sale Amt. Series 2006
Road Bond	BC12	2,686,000	2,686,000
Storm Drain Bond	BC21	7,585,000	4,085,000
Parks & Rec.	BC37	2,349,000	2,349,000
Public Safety Bond	BC42	680,000	680,000
Facility Improvement	BC36	200,000	200,000
Total 2004 Bonds		13,500,000	10,000,000

Revenue projections are adequate to fund the sale of \$10,000,000 in G.O. bonds with no increase in tax rates. Interest earned from the bond proceeds will revert back to the projects.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Administrative Resolution <u>AR -2006</u> authorizing publication of a Notice of Bond Sale of Bernalillo County General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006, in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000.

FISCAL IMPACT

Revenue projections are adequate to fund the G.O. bond sale with no increase in property tax rates next fiscal year. The County is able to take advantage of low long term interest rates by selling G.O. Bonds at this time.

STAFF ANALYSIS SUMMARY

COUNTY MANAGER

Each Deputy County Manager has reviewed the status of bond projects and provided assurance that the projects the bonds are being sold for will be completed in time to avoid federal arbitrage payments.

Bernalillo County's bond ratings are AA+ from Standard and Poors and Aa1 from Moodys. These represent the highest bond ratings of any County in the State of New Mexico. TL 7/23/2006

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER FOR FINANCE

See Summary.

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Documents prepared by Hughes & Strumor Ltd., Bond Counsel.

FINANCE

Due to favorable market interest rates, it is advantageous to sell bonds at this time. Barbara Corriz, Accounting Officer 7/14/06